Receipt date: 08/15/2006

10/5893822 - GAU: 2854

IAP11 Rec'd PCT/PTO 15 AUG 2006

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Shinji KOBAYASHI et al.

New U.S. National Phase of PCT/JP2005/004634

Filed: August 15, 2006

Docket No.: 129076

For: S

STAMP

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

- 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.
- 2. Relevance of one or more non-English language reference is discussed in the present specification. See Reference <u>1</u>.
- 3. One or more reference cited herein was cited in the International Search Report. An English language version of the International Search Report is attached for the Examiner's information. See References <u>2-6</u>.
- 4. An English language Abstract of one or more non-English language reference is attached hereto. See References 1, 2 and 6.

Receipt date: 08/15/2006

10589392 - GAU: 2854

New U.S. National Phase of PCT/JP2005/004634

IAP11 Rec'd PCT/PTO 15 AUG 2006

 \boxtimes

5. A computer-generated English language translation of one or more Japanese Patent Publication cited herein has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([http://www.jpo.go.jp]), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 1, 2 and 4-6.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Oliff
Registration No. 27,075

Daniel A. Tanner, III Registration No. 54,734

JAO:DAT/jdb

Date: August 15, 2006

OLIFF & BERRIDGE, PLC P.O. Box 19928 Alexandria, Virginia 22320 Telephone: (703) 836-6400 DEPOSIT ACCOUNT USE
AUTHORIZATION
Please grant any extension
necessary for entry;
Charge any fee due to our
Deposit Account No. 15-0461

Receipt date: 08/15/2006

Sheet 1 of 1 Form PTO-1449 US Dept. of Commerce ATTY DOCKET NO. APPLICATION NO. (REV. 1/06) PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE 129076 New U.S. National Phase of INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT PCT/JP2005/004634 (Use several sheets if necessary) **APPLICANTS** Shinji KOBAYASHI et al. **FILING DATE** August 15, 2006 U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS Examiner Cite Initials No. Document Number Date Name FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS Examiner Cite With With Initials No. Document Number Date Country English English Translation Abstract JP A 2000-318282 1 11/21/2000 Japan Х Х 2 JP A 2002-192822 7/10/2002 Japan Х х 3 JP U 59-19360 2/6/1984 Japan 4 JP U 6-00769 1/11/1994 Japan Х 5 JP U 6-67049 9/20/1994 Х Japan 6 JP A 2005-132069 5/26/2005 Japan Х Х OTHER DOCUMENTS Examiner Cite (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.) Initials No. DATE CONSIDERED 10/24/2008 **EXAMINER** /Leo Hinze/ Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. 609; draw line through citation if not in conformance Examiner: and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.